READING. MOME

The Fresh Air Fund.

the sweet green grass. With is wonderful wealth of clover." far mande of the city's walls. has spending the broad fields over . the her eyes as the Summer skies And as sonny her tangled hair - the goldenest sunbeam ever sent To be on the earth so fair.

It wonder she opened her blue eves wide When she learned, one happy day, it she and many a child beside Were to travel far away In the fairy place where daisies grew. And the streets were soft and green ' und her hitle heart o'erflowed for joy

of the 2lad things yet unseen. at Farmer Jones on the platform stood When the train came in at last. von the little "waif" who was sent to him He clasped in his strong arms last. For it's never a chick nor a child have I." Sand he to the agent then,

An just as true as the heavens are blue I'll be good to the gal. Amen!" all he bore her home to the shady farm. And he 'turned her out to grass.'

the merrily said. And the sun and breezes Made free with the little lass. And he kissed her cheeks till they blushed as red As the reddest rose that grew. And innocent mischief peeped from out The once sad eyes of blue.

Dear friend," says a letter from Farmer Jones, "There's no two ways about it. This farm's got used to the wee gal's laugh, An'. in fact, can't thrive without it. Why, bless your soul, it would do ye good To watch the chick each day, ' A-turning the old place upside down

An' me an' my wife we don't see how There's anything else to do-But just hold on to the leetle gal, If it's all the same to you. An I reckon the blessed child that lives With the angels in the saies Von't mind if the little new one stays

Along of her happy play.

To wipe the years from our eyes. An the mother this gal has lost will find-My pet in the angel land. make no doubt but they'll both be glad wher watch us hand in hand. now, whatever there is to do. Just write it fur me to sign,

four work as well as mine." Mary D. Brine in Harper's Young People.

A Shot at Twelve Paces.

A Prussian officer killed in a duel, ser, said Galton, laving down the Times, "Every man who fights a duel is a fool, who's better out of the world than in it," said Dormer, laving down the law.

"And the seconds are worse than the principals; they share the folly and not the langer," said Bingham, taking up the strain.

"Heyday, Morley! You are not a du-Rue de la Paix to walk in the Champ de

Well, I was pretty nearly a second "Very nearly.! Didn't the fight come

"How was it? A very decided chalenge, I suppose, and then the principals hought-shy, eh?" "No, no; the principals were in serious

carnest about it, I assure you." "Then the authorities interfered and stupped the fun, perhaps.'

least obstacle in the way of the meeting." JeWell, how was it, then?"

the ground-but perhaps I'd better tell you surd. the whole story.

"Hy all means," said Galton. "Silence,

counted the following. "When I was shooting in India, I one morning received a letter, expressed in

party ou, and want your assistance. Come purposes; giving me the lie in the throat as what could be done when he arrived. It "But I shant't do it, kase it might be de as soon as possible to Harrison's bungalow; deep as to the lungs, as Shakespeare says, was really such utter nonsense, that a peg spilin' of ye. In de fust place, de law am often so ridikilus—and allwuss so respektawe will make all arrangements there, and eh? Once for all, will you undertake the was the only thing to restore a fellow's plain an' cl'ar on de pint dat what I leave ble, az Luv. you can go and call on O'Flaherty at once. matter?' We are going to have a shot at large game for a change. Don't delay a moment. In these cases the scent should be followed you good morning. I'll go and call on while it is warm. The fellow's a big brute, O'Grady.' caught a Tartar this time. We'll put an in the empire. If he called on O'Grady it more than fifty summers in well founded ounce of lead into his carcass before he's would end in a fight as certainly as doomstwenty-four hours older, or I'm not yours, day If I undertook it we might perhaps

"I had been waiting for weeks in the hopes of getting a shot at a tiger, and had O'Dowd. "Now look here, Morley, you go been repeatedly tantalized with reports of at once to O'Flaherty, and give him to unone being somewhere in the neighborhood. derstand that I require-" short distance of the place where I was said I, anxiously, "don't be too hard upon spice." I tried Break in the third the Now you skip!"—Detroit Free Press. staving and the country looked the very him. Put it as peaceably as you can." poison, I tried Byronia in the third (hoideal of what a tiger country should be; but I had never had the luck to get a shot at O'Dowd. "You go to O'Flaherty, and tell one yet, although for sometime past there him that I require a written apology, which to relieve the itching and burning; taking had been rumors that a tiger was about, must contain a confession that he was drunk one in the morning and the other at night. He had been seen here, and heard of there; at the time of speaking, and a declaration of The result was immediately satisfactory he had carried off a sheep in one place, and his full belief that I've no more got chewa bullock in another; but still no one had bercles than he has. If he declines to give gradually, with little eruption or distress. been able to find out anything as to his ac. this, I expect immediate satisfaction. I tual whereabouts sufficiently definite to cap't put it more peaceably than that, now, make it of any use our going after him. can 1?' But now, thought I, O'Dowd must have got the bearings of the beast pretty accurately. O'Dowd adhered to his own opinion, that I could have wished that Dennis had been did no good at all. So, armed with this For the first time in my life I looked on a little less flowery and 'tropical' in his ac- peaceable message, I took my way to poison ivy with impunity, and even tramcount, but he always was a funny dog; the O Flaherty, whom I found sitting lazily up pled on it. This summer, grown careless drift of his letter was clear enough; and if on a cane-bottomed chair, and surrounded the tiger's having caught a Tartar was not a by soda water bottles. mere figure of speech, the animal must be "Ha! Morley," said he, "delighted to see a very fine one. The part about O'Flaherty you, upon me consience. Will you take a asserted itself feebly, with moments of the puzzled me a little; it had always struck peg? * No! You'd better. I've done unmistakeable burning itch characteristic of me that he and O'Dowd were by no means little else ever since I got up. Well! yes, warm friends; O'Flaherty was always chaff. I was a little sprung last night; just a draption, and O'Dowd always vowing pe in my ee, as that Scotch fellow says in vengeance against O'Flaherty. But it was his infernal brogue. Begad! looking back all fun, perhaps; and O'Flaherty was a upon last night's proceedings, reminds me great hand at tiger shooting, I dared to say, of those dissolving views, where each pic-At any rate, hurrah for the tiger! And I tere gets misty, and runs into the next." found O'Dowd, with an expression of the tinct recollection of the people you met last quite exempt." hurried off to Harrison's bungalow, where I utmost determination upon his face, drink- night, have you?" I inquired. ing pale ale as he meant it.

"Well, O'Dowd," said I, "we're to have be clearer." a shot at him at last, are we?" "That we are," said he, "or I'll post him." unpleasant mission. You don't remember legs. Post him, post a tiger! O'Dowd was meeting O'Dowd, do you?"

must go to O'Flaherty at once, and if he prefers this evening-faith! all the better," erty, thoughtfully. "Begad, then, I "O, it depends upon him, does it?" said don't."

"Well, of course it does," said O'Dowd, he says, insulted him greatly." to a certain extent; but not later than tomorrow morning, mind. And now I'll tell taking up a soda-water bottle.

"Aye, let's hear all about the gentleinto his hille now.' "That we will, my boy," returned

O'Dowd. | "Now, just listen to me. As I "What you met the beast, you say?" "And you may call him a baste," said

O'Dowd. | "He was that for certain. He'd had too much; I'll take my oath of that." "Glutted with carnage." I muttered. O'Dowd; "I took his measure at a glance."

carried it bff in such a mighty easy way." was off with it to his den, no doubt.'

"No doubt," said O'Dowd; "he generally cles, will it?" finishes his evening in his own den, the insatiable thief. . Well, when he saw me, he considered an infectious disorder, but it will discovery was the phenomenal stupidity price on yureself; it iz time enuff to throw dollars he keeps back." came towards me, roaring-" "Roaring! Came towards you!"

"By Jove, you took it very us," said O'Flaherty. coolly. Didn't you run? please to be serious, Morley. This is no last night you were, as you have just said,

joke I'm telling vou." "No joke! my dear O'Dowd, I should you may add, -it's just as well to do the schedule in every respect except that Mul. for about one-haff what he sez. think not indeed. What did you do?" his cigar out of his mouth -'

"Eh! What? Cigar?" "And comes toward me, roaring out, What are you doing out o' bed, O'Dowd? Go home with you. You've got chewbercles in your lungs. Go home!

"The figer said," I gasped out, "Tiget! What are you after, Morley?" "Who said you'd got tubercle?

"Who?" Why. O'Flaherty." the plague are you always bringing his O'Flaherty, his speech becoming ten times our neighbor the Times. The case of sup. only difference iz, there are a few who kan name in? Tell me about the tiger.

name of mystery, what tiger?"

"I'm going to shoot no tiger. to shoot O'Flaherty.' "Shoot O'Flaherty! ing to shoot him for?"

me I'd got chewbercles." "And so this precious note of yours," fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours," fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours," fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours," fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours," fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours," and so this precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and so this precious note of yours," and so this precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and the precious note of yours," and so this precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and the precious note of yours," and the precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and the precious note of yours," and the precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and the precious note of yours," and the precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and the precious note of yours," and the precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and the precious note of yours," and the precious note of yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and yours," and yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, stretch and yours, "fair. Come, old reliow, yours, y me that you're going to fight O'Flaherty?" "Faith, not I," said O'Flaherty; "the tation in our treatment of a political oppon-"Faith! and you may say that," replied prospect don't trouble me at all to speak ent was shared in an equal degree by the but it never has been pattend yit. elling man, are you? You never left the O'Dowd. "I thought I'd put it delicately." of." "By Jove! you put it so delicately that I "Then you decline to apologize altothought it all referred to tiger shooting."

"And did you so?" said Dennis, with some pride. "Begad! I always was a neat exactly." hand at letter writing."

I said. "You don't really mean that you will not be persuaded to-" intend to shoot O'Flaherty?"

chewbercles in my lungs." O'Flaherty was right. A few years after and returned to my quarters. The idea of fense of a different brand. New York shorn ov half its strength. Wrong again. Not a soul threw the Death and a P. M. examination, put it be- better reason than that one had accused the youd all question. But even if there had other of having diseased lungs, was so conbeen no grounds for it, the idea of shoot foundedly ridiculous, that, setting aside the

"this must not be allowed to go on. I it. But what was to be done! When near the market when he was disturbed by gentlemen. Silence, there, Monsieur ra can't consent to act as your friend in such a the two principals—both of them Irishmen, the appearance of a small boy of his color.

ter if he'd given you the lie, or-" when I haven't anything of the kind. Isn't pelled to act, might be able to hit upon some half dis mellyon an' hab plenty left." "Dear Morley, 1 have a little shooting that giving me the lie, to all intents and means of getting out of it. I would see "Thanks, Uncle."

> "I'd rather be excused," I said. Very good," said O'Dowd; "then I wish

Grady! the most determined fire-eater come to some arrangement; so, with much

certainly thought it possible, but as

stitutional, many persons being naturally "I suppose, then, you have no very dis-

"Faith! no," said he; "my memory might

"It's O'Dowd you mean!" said O'Flah-

You did meet him, though and. "And did I insult him?" said O'Flaherty. curious. How did I do it?

man, said I, eagerly. He's been playing about his having tubercle of the lung, and with us long enough. We'll put a bullet he does not like it. He's rather touchy un rather than instruction. Let the Time about his chest, you know."

"Ay, I know. And did I tell him that? "Yes, you told him he'd got tubercle, and was walking up here last night, I met him he took the speech so much to heart, that I am come from him to say that he expects

"Begad, and were you told to say that? fellow, you must see how extravagantly ab tained in the package which he took from surd we shall all make ourselves if this af Mulligan. The Times's startling discovery "I could see it at once," continued fair proceeds any further. Every mess was this: Four of the documents called for room in India will be laughing at the Tu by the memorandum it failed to find in the "Well, said I, anxious to know his size, bercle duel. I am sure you must perceive Congressional Record; and by what it conthe truth of this, and the absolute necessity sidered as "a most singular coincidence." "And I could see that he'd had a deal of putting a stop to it at once. By Jove, more than a taste of the cratur, though he sir, we shall never hear the last of it till the

day of our death." "Carried it off easily, did he?" said I: a "You may say that, indeed," said O'Flahsheep or a bullock, of course "What! he erty, laughing. "Faith, it won't be only O'Dowd who'll be troubled with chewber-

> "No, that it won't. It's not generally infect us, at any rate," said I. "Change of air will be the only thing for

"Run!" said O'Dowd, as if uncertain said I, pushing a writing-desk toward him; it had been examining; half of its case was "just scratch two or three lines to say that swept away by the evidence of its own un "When he saw me, I tell you, he pulls that you have perfect faith, ha! ha!-per fect faith in the integrity of O'Dowd's lungs. to Blaine, was not produced by Blaine at ain't so; the thruth all was meets us at least fourf ob what he makes offen de farm.' Come, what do you say?"

Pop went the soda-water. "That," said O'Flaherty.

"That! explain, please." "That's all the apology that ye'll get from

"But my good sir, if you don't ap-

"O, confound O'Flaherty," I said. "Why "And by the blessed St. Patrick," said discoveries before accepting them, even from more Irish than before at the mention of the pression and sabstitution did not stand scru- name the price. "What tiger?" said O'Dowd. "In the national pastime; -- "and by the blessed St. tiny. The record showed plainly just how Life fairly overflows with opportunitys, said: "Well, I'm going home to-morrow." bananas can be produced on the soil that ame of mystery, what tiger?"

Patrick, I'll humor his fancy. If it's foight"Why, the tiger we're going to shoot, of ing he manes, I'll foight him with all me withholding the result of our own examinaBigotry and ignoranse are twins; if yu have myself." "Well, out with it, Jennie. toes, and that the same area that would be sowl,—with all the pleasure in life, head. tion because it was favorable to Mr. Blaine seperate them, yu destroy both. apology by telling him that loighting's the it right to give him the benefit of the facts, keep; phools kan't git enuff ov them. What are you go- altornative, I promise ye.'

"Why, didn't you understand? He told of frightening you. But reflect for a mo- as credulous by a newspaper which prefers ment upon the absurdity of the whole af a reputation for persistent unfairness. "And so this precious note of yours," fair. Come, old fellow, stretch a point, and For some time we assumed as a matter of

"There, if you haven't stated the case

"I can't really undertake to be persuaded.

And there was very little doubt that Disgusted exceedingly, I took my leave criminal. Deliberate dishonesty is an ofwards the fact became painfully evident, two fellows shooting at each other for no Sun

"Why, the fact was, that when we got to ing a man for such a reason as this was ab unpleasantness of being engaged in an af A colored man, over whose head about fair of this kind at all, I would have given seventy summers had passed, was quietly "My dear fellow," said I to O'Dowd, anything to be able to wash my hands of but earnestly wrestling with a watermelon too—were resolved on fighting, what could stop them? Perhaps O'Flaherty's friend, grudgingly at the melon, and the old man the And accordingly Monsieur re- case as this. It would be a different mat- too-were resolved on fighting, what could The boy sat down on a box and looked "Given me the he!" said O'Dowd, who would, of course, be of my mind about looked up at him and queried; Didn't, he tell me I'd got chewbercles, the serious farce in which we were com- "Young man, I reckons I could give you

equinimity after two such interviews. To be continued.

Poison Ivy.

"A tiger, by Jove!" I thought. "A ti- reluctance, I told Dennis that he might to publish the only affectivel remody of knew you'd never spoil sport," said the many I have seen recommended and wrap de seeds up in my handkerchief you'll ever said about rolygamy until this spring having tried in the course of my extended reckon on lickin' de bo'd whar' de mellyon Then some sneaking priests came round and sufferrings—now for some years happily was cut an' eaten, but as I lif' up dat bo'd got the old man worked up with the idea ended. Four or five years ago, I was led an' gin ye a whack on de back ye'll anticipate that he must have one or two more wives. For Heaven's sake, my dear O'Dowd," to try Byronia alba. The tincture did no better dan to crowd in whar ye ain't wanted. 'Not much, Israel Pinkham,' says I; 'we've COMPETITION DEFIED! Just what I'm going to do," said meopathic) attenuation, as an antidote, in with a prophylactic dose of Byronia, and marched boldly on my business through and through a field overgrown with the malig nant weed, adding a second dose at night. dered into a bed of the stuff, without either taking prophylactic or remedy. The poison have used bas not only overcome the poison, but the susceptibility to its influence. which is well known to be relative and con-

> of several painters at present are casts of of certain species, such as the Catasetums. gaged, when for a minute or more they "Well, the fact is, I'm come upon a very Ben Butler's intellect and Professor Dowd's In Trinidad we find a plant, which, long plunge in head and horns, and leave nothing

Persistent Unfairness.

To persist in a false accusation after falsity has been clearly and conclusive! demonstrated, requires more courage of certain sort than to make a manly acknowl edgement of error. In this sense the Time "That's is brave. It brings itself and its exploded story about the suppression of four Mail "Well, it seems that you said something gan letters under our notice again with pesistent impudence which invites castigaattend, while we braid lash out of facts that ought to sting its back.

In a leading article of a column and half on Monday of last week, the Times announced that it had made an examination of the record, which "verified in the most startling manner" the story that Mr. Blaine "I was, indeed, and I'm sure, my dear had suppressed some of the letters con four letters not ment oned in the memoran dum were read by Baine. "Can it be," de manded the Times, 'that the splendidly au impudence. dacious statesman substituted some harmless letters from his own portfolio or manufactured for the occasion for the four letters gout fust rate, but what waz always komon Mulligan's list, but not read?"

with which its "examination of the record" off, 10 per cent, after yu are obliged to. was conducted in the first place. the four documents which it had failed to that make life endurable; a ded level and equalled heedlessness. A third letter was' The best way to git at a man's average iz the old man again. the time. Instead of covering the "sup- haff waypression" of this letter by the substitution of Sin iz just az much an ekonomy ov ply and straightforwardly said that he did got to fall before we kan git up.

not find it in the package. explain in some way, O'Dowd insists upon not prompted by any other motive than the he kan take hiz own time to bag it. "Fright you," said I; "I never dreamed this is credulity we are happy to be regarded natur; tallent draws it from art.

course that the desire to avoid misrepresenthe case. The single effort of our contem- hour of tooth ake will nutralize all the hap- thought of an engagement at this very mo- Lundborg's Perfume. Margchal Niel Rose. porary at present seems to be to escape an piness they hav got. out regard either to justice to Mr. Blaine or it iz the melody ov the harte, an ever bloom "Then I've no resource but to ask you duty to the readers who look to it for in ov flowers, the aroma ov logick, and the discreditable course to pursue. Any news- things too numerous to menshun. "I'll be shot if I don't," returned O'Dowd, me dear friend. Are you going? Well, a misapprehention, by insufficient or misvery decidedly. "He told me I'd got good bye; I'll send some one to call upon leading information, or by precipitancy nuter gender. which can be inexcusable without being

Better Than Realization.

behind goes to my nateral heirs. In de second place, a pusson widout anticipashun mus' be dreffully onhap y. As de case now stands you anticipate. You anticipate dat Pinkham and wife moved from Maine many dozen, we will sell in three lots at 15, 19 and 25c. a pair. half dis yere mellyon will stuff me full au' years ago to Utah Territory. They passed Gents' silk half hose, 75c.; worth \$1. Mr. Wm. C. Conant writes to the Scient I'll have to leave all de rest. You anticit through Salt Lake the other day on their way colors, at only 47c. a pair; worth 75c. more than fifty summers in well-founded sunstruck or be 'tacked by the colic. As de secret of the cause of their return. To the dread of any chance contact with the three- mellyon gradually disaypears you'll antici- reporter for a gentile newspaper she said leaved pest Rhus toxicodendron (or Rhus pate dat I won't gnaw de rinds werry clus "My husband and I have lived together to publish the only effectual remedy, of wid de fact dat de seeds am left. As I the Mormons twenty years ago nothing was

The Fancy for Orchids.

Orchid-growing and orchid-loving are two little boys that we buried back in Maine, specialized habits of botanical humanity. who won't have no occasion to pin't their There can be no question, to the scientific fingers at us when we cross over to the other mind at least, of the rich intellectual har- shore. This thing has gone just as far as vest—to say nothing of the reward in the it's going to. Israel Pinkham, we're going shape of beauty—which awaits the student back to Maine, says I, and whether we've of this group of plants. Last of all, when got one year or ten years to live, we'll end we remember that these plants formed a this here pilgrimage decent, as we begun it. special study of the great master mind so Ain't that what I told you?" said she adlately removed from us, it is only necessary dressing the old man, who had been a silent and works of living nature The curious ap Press. pearance of many of the orchid flowers is a noteworthy fact. For example, we know of The bottom of the St. John's river, in EASY PAYMENTS TAKEN WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE. GOODS DELIVERED BREE OF CHARGE IN species which mimic flies in their outward Florida, is a vast pasture ground in which respect. Others resemble bees; the flower large herds of cattle which are kept in that of one species is like the drone bee; and region forage during the winter season even the spiders are imitated by orchid blos- throughout the whole country, through which soms. Nor is the long and varied list of the amber colored waters of the St. John and mimetic resemblances thus ended. If we its many lakes flow. These cattle feed daily were to hunt through an orchid album, where- and continually all day on the grass which in the flowers are faithfully depicted, we grows on the bottom. They have to put should de able to see imitations of grass their heads under water to get it, and pre- Near the Court House. The most interesting objects in the studios hoppers in the "columns" or flower centres sent a curious appearance while thus en-

swan is represented in the group of Cycanches, the dove may be detected in the shape the "Flor de l'elicano" of native terminology, is another orchid (Cyproperium) irapeanum) belonging to the well-known "Ladies' Slipper" group. When we are further informed that even humanity's lineaments may be mimicked in the Man Orchis" (Aceras anthropophora), we may well be tempted to re-echo Mr. Darwin's words, when he says, "the flowers of orchids in their strange and endless variety of shape, may be compared to the great verte brate class of fish, or still more appropriately, with tropical Homopterous insects, which appear to us as if they had been modelled in the wildest caprice, but this is no doubt due to our ignorance of their requirements and conditions of life. - Good Words.

Josh Billing's Philosophy.

DYNAMITE.

I prefer guessing to proverying, there just az much certainty in it, and much less never know it

I hav never known a man who had the plaining ov his rumatizm:

It iz the ups and downs, the ins and outs,

"Then look Lere, my dear O'Flaherty," find were in fact printed on the pages which no curves, would wear a man out before he got haff way to the end ov hiz journey.

troubled with a drappie in your ee; and there, too, answering the description of the to watch what he duz, and giv him kredit thing handsomely while you are about it, - ligan had indexed it as of July 25, instead I hav found out, by figgering, that thoze of July 2. The fourth, a letter of Fisher's things that men work the hardest to prove

a harmless epistle 'from his own portfolio Heaven az virtew iz; without temtashun

or manufactured for the occasion," he sim- there would be no brilliant virtews; we hav The devil never sets a trap without bait-

The Sun's examination of the record was ing it, and he knows, after game iz kaught, Every one seems to hav hiz price; the

I'm going Ye can't fright Tim O'Flaherty into an on this special point of inquiry, we thought A wize man will never take a sekret to things." "Well, give us the first?" "You would produce enough bananas to feed

Thare iz nothing that wil stik to a man clusser than a nikname; it iz like a bob tale

admission of its own original mistake, with- Politeness iz the poetry ov every day life, went, and, would you believe it, Nell, the Lundborg's Perfume. Lily of the Valley.

"But you're not serious, I hope, O'Dowd," for the name of your friend, if you really formation and opinions. This is a very grace ov sentiment—besides various other paper may be led into a false position by A dude iz a fancy cross between a man and a monkey, and is invariably of the

If there were no vices, virtew would be

Vanity haz a voracious appetight, swallows things whole, but haz a perfect diges-The real Christian iz the one who enjoys

hiz own religion and other people's too. There are a thousand diffrent ways to reach Heaven, but only one door to get

I hav seen people ov so little karakter

that even a shining fault ov some kind LOT 1, at only 19c. a pair. would improve them. Thare iz none ov the pashions so strong-

travelled together this fur and no Mormon will separate us now. We've got two sons and a darter back East who shan't have any body poking fun at them; and there's the

Farming on "Shears."

When it comes to business and arithme of Peristeria class, and the pelican flower, uc, the Southern negro is very habie to be swindled by unprincipled white men Au instance of this kind occurred near Austin not long since. An old negro named Uncle Pete, who imagines he knows it all was badly taken in not long since, as was de veloped in conversation with young Mr. Hutchinson, who was friendly with the old

What have you done with your farm this year. Uncle Pete? he asked. I'se rented hit to Kernel Jones, on

"Why, he is as sharp as a stee! trap, He will swindle you certain. The old man laughed slylv, and replied

"He jess can't do hit. I'se got the dead wood on him. " How's that?"

"He gits half a dollar outen ebery dollar what he makes offen de farm." "But how do you know he gives you a correct account of what he makes? He can keep some of the money back and you will

"Dar's no danger ob his doin' dat an Ise done headed him off at dat game. Don't ver see de more dollars he brings in ter me, de more half dollars he gets. You bet he am't gwinter keep none back. He ain't no fool. The only basis of the Times's startling Yung man, the best way iz to set a stiff He wouldn't get no half dollars outen de

"You old tool, don't you see that he gets

Uncle Pete saw the point, and expressed A few days afterwards ! Hutcheson saw

"How about your farm?" Ise seen Kernel Jones and made a nebargain. Instead of getting a half dollar outen ebery dollar he makes, I gets one

"You only gets one-fourth?" "Kernel Jones offered me one-third, but helf out for a fourf, and I got it, too' Ef I white." - Texas Siftings.

Couldn't Behave Herself.

young ladies talking, and this is what they Humboldt claims that 44,000 pounds of What have you been doing?" "Lots of required to raise wheat enough for one man know Frank Kennedy, Nell?" "That soft, twenty five men .- Ecchange. . so far as they might benefit his case. If Genius draws all its inspirashuns from simpering fellow that always tells you how 'charming' you look?" "Exactly. This morning I saw him coming, and made up An inquirer asks. "How can I tell class my mind to take him down. I put my dia ical music music?" That is easy enough. mond brooch in the chair, pin upward, and When you hear everybody applaud and look asked him to sit down." "He sat, of course, relieved after the piece is finished, then you Honesty iz the best trade mark there iz, and what then?" "He jumped up and may know that it is strictly classical. yelled: 'Oh, my-!' 'What's the trouble?' Times. We regret to say that such is not Little children are called happy, but one I asked. 'Nothing in particular, only I

brough was sticking to him That was an ful Jennie, and the two girls gigeled to gether for five minutes. Nell broke the spell by demanding "What next Why, you see I was talking with that young sprig of a clergyman, the Rev. Tom Parsons. We had nearly talked each other to death, when, as luck would have it he made some remark about mosquitoes 1

was on my native heath at once, and began to tell him of my experience at Rockaway 'Did they bite very hard?' I wish Mr Par sons, said I won could see my legs and udge for yourself." "That was a horrid speech, Jennie. How could you say such a thing?" "Why, Nell, it popped out before I knew it." "And what did Mr Par sons say?" "He blushed clean to his eyes. and I ran away.

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till, the purple blossoms falling off, hule shoots appear as the embryo fruit. Each fruit has a vellow blossom at its outward extremity. At the end of from three to four months the fruit has grown to maturity, and is picked long enough before it is "dead ripe" to preserve it in marketable condition. From the roots of the parent stalk other shoots appear, which are trimmed out or left to grow, as the cultivator may deem best A single stalk, therefore, bears only one had been greedy like some niggers be, I be- bunch or crop as its life work. Spaniards leves I could have got a sixth, but I don't have a religious reverence for the banana. wanter gouge no man jess because he is believing it to be the fruit of which Adam

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